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NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE OF MEETING & AGENDA

February 23, 2011 – 7:30 p.m.
Center for Inquiry
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1. Called to order at 8:05 pm following Culture and Events Committee agenda items by David Uebersax. Nyla Arslanian, Rosemary DeMonte, Robert Ladendorf were present, along with Charles Renn and David Melville.
2. No further Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items.
3. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes discussion emphasized getting approval on older drafts and keeping up to date on recent meetings. November may be represented along with Culture and Events, as with other past meetings when there were combined agendas. Copies of minutes were distributed and approved by consensus for October 28, 2008; February 25, 2009; and March 25, 2009.
4. Reports on Neighborhood Improvement Projects: Reports and Discussion
 - a. Hollywood Streetscape implementation has included replacement of older concrete sidewalks with a combination of brickwork patterns amidst new concrete sections along the north side of Hollywood Boulevard. There appears to have been differences between what had previously been discussed with GGPNC and the finished product, but as the work itself has been completed, it is hoped that it will particularly benefit the businesses that had been impacted by the construction.
 - b. CRA's Sunset Blvd. Plan, as well as Streetscape improvements on Hollywood Boulevard west of Western, as well as on Western from Franklin south to Sunset, will have some impact, so the Committee is looking for opportunities where members can become engaged again in those efforts, and hopefully bring reports back for discussion.
 - c. Hollywood Community Plan is continuing to be completed, including the long awaited Environment Impact Report drafts. The committee's further assistance has been requested in reviewing the Urban Design chapter, and so there was some general discussion as to some of the concepts therein, and the ramifications where there may be localized considerations in the GGPNC area which may differ from other parts of Hollywood. Upcoming Planning, Zoning, and Historic Preservation meetings (including March 2) will focus on the overall document and so committee members are encouraged to participate at future forums. In the meantime, the Urban Design chapter may be distributed and discussed at the March 23

meeting in order to formalize and further recommendations from the committee, just as Education, Transportation, Parks River, and Open Space Committees' evaluations continue to be incorporated and organized for the GGPNC Board's information, to possibly foster additional recommendations, and ultimate presentation for Planning Department and other City officials consideration.

5. Adjacent Neighborhood Councils, Los Feliz BID, and LFIA Events/Activities representatives were not present, so there was no Reports & Discussion.

6. New business included comments from Charles Renn related to the Hollywood Community Plan discussion, where Survey LA was starting to cover additional areas, including areas of Silverlake which may abut GGPNC boundaries. This may be something of interest to the Planning, Zoning, and Historic Preservation committee as well.

7. Other Comments and Announcements

8. Adjourned at 8:39 pm.

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